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1.	Transmitted herewith is an amendment after final rejection (37 C.F.R. 1.116) for this application.					
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			STATUS			
2.	The app	plication is qu	alified as			
		a small entity	<i>.</i> .			
	×	other than a s	small entity.			
3.	The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply for a term of up to six (6) months.					
			EXTENSION OF TERM	í		
NOTE:	E: As to a Supplemental Amendment filed in response to a final office action, the Notice of December 10, 1985 (I O.G. 34-35) states:					
	"If a timely response has been filed after a Final Office Action, an extension of time is required to permit filing and/or entry of a Notice of Appeal or filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period unless the timely-filed response placed the application in condition for allowance. Of course, if a Notice of Appeal has been filed within the shortened statutory period, the period has ceased to run." (complete (a) or (b), as applicable)					
	(a)	⊠ App	licant petitions for an extension of a: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for the 1	time under 37 C.F.	R. 1.136 hths checked below:	
		Extension	Fee for other t	han F	ee for	
		(months)	small entity	S	mall entity	
		one month	\$ 120.00	\$	60.00	
	⊠	two months	\$ 450.00	\$	225.00	
		three month	\$ 1,020.00	\$	510.00	
		four months	\$ 1,590.00	\$	795.00	
		five months	\$ 2,160.00	\$	1,080.00	
			Fee:	\$ <u>450.00</u>		
If addi	itional ex	ktension of tin	ne is required, please consider this	a petition therefor.		
		(6	heck and complete the next item, i	f applicable)		
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(b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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^{*} If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "O" in Col. 3,

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FEE PAYMENT

5. No additional fee is required.

OR

- ☐ Total additional fee required is \$_____.
- Attached is a check in the sum of \$ _____.
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